



PUBLIC NOTICE

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Brenda K. Argoe, Clerk of Court



TO: Practitioners/Constituents

SUBJECT: Video Conferencing

DATE: January 24, 2001

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina has deployed a video conferencing system in the Columbia and Charleston court sites. This system allows the court to transmit video and audio images between the court sites.

The video conferencing equipment is typically used in a courtroom setting. The equipment can accommodate a document camera to transmit images of documents as well as VHS video.

Scheduling

A party should submit requests directly to the judge assigned the case or to the Courtroom Services Team (Clerk's Office, Courtroom Services - 803-765-5436 x 3010, 3011 or 3012). Courtroom deputies are available to operate the system at the Columbia court site. There are persons available to operate the system at the Charleston court site, and this information will be provided to the requesting party once the approval is obtained from the judge to have the hearing via video conferencing.

Requests must be submitted three (3) days prior to the desired hearing date. Parties should be present in the courtroom 30 minutes prior to the scheduled hearing so that necessary testing of the equipment can be performed.

There are currently no costs to use the system.